

SENATE BILL No. 329

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 14-22-12.

Synopsis: Veteran's lifetime hunting and fishing licenses. Allows a disabled veteran to obtain a lifetime fishing, hunting, or fishing and hunting license at a reduced fee.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 15, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-12-1.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.188-2001,
2 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1.5. (a) As used in this section, "qualified
4 individual" means an individual who:

- 5 (1) is a resident of Indiana;
6 (2) has served in the armed forces of the United States; and
7 (3) has a service connected disability, as evidenced by:
8 (A) records of the United States Department of Veterans
9 Affairs; or
10 (B) disability retirement benefits awarded to the individual
11 under laws administered by the United States Department of
12 Defense.

13 (b) A qualified individual is entitled to reduced fee hunting and
14 fishing licenses under this section.

15 (c) Each year a qualified individual may obtain:

- 16 (1) both:
17 (A) a resident yearly license to fish; and



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(B) a resident yearly license to hunt; or
 (2) a resident yearly license to hunt and fish;
 by paying a reduced license fee of two dollars and seventy-five cents
 (\$2.75) instead of the fee prescribed by section 1 of this chapter.

(d) **Subject to section 7 of this chapter, a qualified individual may obtain the following:**

(1) **A lifetime basic fishing license by paying a reduced license fee of fifty-five dollars (\$55).**

(2) **A lifetime basic hunting license by paying a reduced license fee of fifty-five dollars (\$55).**

(3) **A lifetime basic fishing and hunting license by paying a reduced license fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).**

(e) An applicant for a reduced fee license under this section must do the following:

(1) Request the license from:

(A) the department;

(B) an agent appointed by the director under IC 14-22-11-3; or

(C) the clerk of the circuit court who is an authorized representative of the department under IC 14-22-11-3 in the county in which the individual resides.

(2) Present evidence that the applicant is a qualified individual.

SECTION 2. IC 14-22-12-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. (a) The director may issue to residents of Indiana lifetime licenses to hunt, fish, or trap. Subject to subsection (b), the following license fees shall be charged:

(1) **For a** lifetime basic fishing license, twenty (20) times the fee charged for a resident yearly license to fish. This license replaces the resident yearly license to fish.

(2) **For a** lifetime basic hunting license, twenty (20) times the fee charged for a resident yearly license to hunt. This license replaces the resident yearly license to hunt.

(3) **For a** lifetime comprehensive fishing license, thirty (30) times the fee charged for a resident yearly license to fish. This license replaces the resident yearly license to fish and all other yearly licenses, stamps, or permits to fish for a specific species.

(4) **For a** lifetime comprehensive hunting license, sixty (60) times the fee charged for a resident yearly license to hunt. This license replaces the resident yearly license to hunt and all other yearly licenses, stamps, or permits to hunt for a specific species or by a specific means.

(5) **For a** lifetime comprehensive hunting and fishing license, the fee charged under subdivisions (3) and (4) less ten percent (10%).

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This license replaces the following:

(A) The resident yearly license to hunt.

(B) All other yearly licenses, stamps, or permits to hunt for a specific species or by a specific means.

(C) The resident yearly license to fish.

(D) All other yearly licenses, stamps, or permits to fish for a specific species.

(6) **For a lifetime trapping license, twenty (20) times the fee charged for a resident yearly license to trap. This license replaces the resident yearly license to trap.**

(7) For a lifetime basic fishing license issued to a qualified individual (as defined in section 1.5(a) of this chapter), the fee prescribed in section 1.5(d)(1) of this chapter. This license replaces the resident yearly license to fish.

(8) For a lifetime basic hunting license issued to a qualified individual (as defined in section 1.5(a) of this chapter), the fee prescribed in section 1.5(d)(2) of this chapter. This license replaces the resident yearly license to hunt.

(9) For a lifetime basic fishing and hunting license issued to a qualified individual (as defined in section 1.5(a) of this chapter), the fee prescribed in section 1.5(d)(3) of this chapter. This license replaces the resident yearly license to fish and hunt.

(b) This subsection applies only to ~~individuals~~ **an individual who purchases a lifetime license and** who ~~are~~ **is** at least fifty (50) years of age. The license ~~fees under~~ **fee set forth for the license in** subsection (a) shall be reduced by the amount determined under STEP THREE of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Subtract forty-nine (49) from the resident applicant's age in years.

STEP TWO: Multiply the difference determined under STEP ONE by two and one-half percent (2.5%).

STEP THREE: Multiply the percentage determined under STEP TWO by the amount of the appropriate fee under subsection (a).

(c) Each lifetime license:

(1) is nontransferable;

(2) expires on the death of the person to whom the license was issued; and

(3) may be suspended or revoked for the same causes and according to the same procedures that a resident yearly license to hunt, fish, or trap, as appropriate, may be suspended or revoked.

(d) No part of a lifetime hunting, fishing, or trapping license is

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1 refundable. However, the holder of:
2 (1) a basic license to hunt or fish may be given credit for the
3 current cost of such a license when purchasing a comprehensive
4 license to hunt or fish or hunt and fish; and
5 (2) a comprehensive license to hunt or fish may be given credit
6 for the current cost of such a license when purchasing a lifetime
7 comprehensive license to hunt and fish.
8 (e) All money received under this section shall be deposited in the
9 lifetime hunting, fishing, and trapping license trust fund established by
10 IC 14-22-4.

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